Epidemiological Fact Sheet

on HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infections



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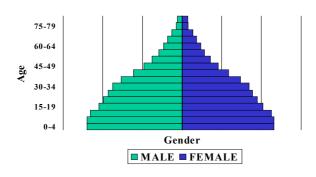






Country Information

Population pyramid, 1999



Indicators	Year	Estimate	Source
Total Population (thousands)	1999	8,364	UNPOP
Population Aged 15-49 (thousands)		4,480	
Annual Population Growth	1990-1998	1.8	UNPOP
% of Population Urbanized	1998	62	UNPOP
Average Annual Growth Rate of Urban Population	1990-1998	2.7	UNPOP
GNP Per Capita (US\$)	1997	1,750	World Bank
GNP Per Capita Average Annual Growth Rate	1996-1997	6.4	World Bank
Human Development Index Rank (HDI)	1999	88	UNDP
% Population Economic Active		35.0	ILO
Unemployment Rate	1997	15.9	ILO
Total Adult Literacy Rate	1995	82	UNESCO
Adult Male Literacy Rate	1995	82	UNESCO
Adult Female Literacy Rate	1995	82	UNESCO
Male Secondary School Enrollment Ratio	1996	41.4	UNESCO
Female Secondary School Enrollment Ratio	1996	57.7	UNESCO
Crude Birth Rate (births per 1,000 pop.)	1999	23	UNPOP
Crude Death Rate (deaths per 1,000 pop.)	1999	5	UNPOP
Maternal Mortality Rate (per 100,000 live births)	1990	110	WHO
Life Expectancy at Birth	1998	71	UNPOP
Total Fertility Rate	1998	2.8	UNPOP
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	1999	32	UNICEF/UNPOP

UNAIDS/WHO Working Group on Global HIV/AIDS and STI Surveillance

Global Surveillance of HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infections (STIs) is a joint effort of WHO and UNAIDS. The UNAIDS/WHO Working Group on Global HIV/AIDS and STI Surveillance, initiated in November 1996, guides respective activities. The primary objective of the working group is to strengthen national, regional and global structures and networks for improved monitoring and surveillance of HIV/AIDS and STIs. For this purpose, the working group collaborates closely with national AIDS programmes and a number of national and international experts and institutions. The goal of this collaboration is to compile the best information available and to improve the quality of data needed for informed decisionmaking and planning at national, regional and global levels. The Epidemiological Fact Sheets are one of the products of this close and fruitful collaboration across the globe.

The working group and its partners have established a framework standardizing the collection of data deemed important for a thorough understanding of the current status and trends of the epidemic, as well as patterns of risk and vulnerability in the population. Within this framework, the Fact Sheets collate the most recent country-specific data on HIV/AIDS prevalence and incidence, together with information on behaviours (e.g. casual sex and condom use) which can spur or stem the transmission of HIV.

Not unexpectedly, information on all of the agreedupon indicators was not available for many countries in 1999. However, these updated Fact Sheets do contain a wealth of information which allows identification of strengths in currently existing programmes and comparisons between countries and regions. The Fact Sheets may also be instrumental in identifying potential partners when planning and implementing improved surveillance systems.

The fact sheets can be only as good as information made available to the UNAIDS/WHO Working Group on Global HIV/AIDS and STI Surveillance. Therefore, the working group would like to encourage all programme managers as well as national and international experts to communicate additional information to the working group whenever such information becomes available. The working group also welcomes any suggestions for additional indicators or information proven to be useful in national or international decision-making and planning.

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Estimated number of people living with HIV/AIDS

In 1999 and during the first quarter of 2000, UNAIDS and WHO worked closely with national governments and research institutions to recalculate current estimates on people living with HIV/AIDS. These calculations are based on the previously published estimates for 1997 and recent trends in HIV/AIDS surveillance in various populations. A methodology developed in collaboration with an international group of experts was used to calculate the new estimates on prevalence and incidence of HIV and AIDS deaths, as well as the number of children infected through mother-to-child transmission of HIV. Different approaches were used to estimate HIV prevalence in countries with low-level, concentrated or generalized epidemics. The current estimates do not claim to be an exact count of infections. Rather, they use a methodology that has thus far proved accurate in producing estimates that give a good indication of the magnitude of the epidemic in individual countries. However, these estimates are constantly being revised as countries improve their surveillance systems and collect more information.

Adults in this report are defined as women and men aged 15 to 49. This age range covers people in their most sexually active years. While the risk of HIV infection obviously continues beyond the age of 50, the vast majority of those who engage in substantial risk behaviours are likely to be infected by this age. The 15 to 49 age range was used as the denominator in calculating adult HIV prevalence.

□ Estimated number of adults and children living with HIV/AIDS, end of 1999

These estimates include all people with HIV infection, whether or not they have developed symptoms of AIDS, alive at the end of 1999:

Adults and children	130000		
Adults (15-49)	130000	Adult rate (%)	2.80
Women (15-49)	59000		
Children (0-15)	3800		

□ Estimated number of deaths due to AIDS

Estimated number of adults and children who died of AIDS during 1999:

Deaths in 1999 4900

□ Estimated number of orphans

Estimated number of children who have lost their mother or both parents to AIDS (while they were under the age of 15) since the beginning of the epidemic:

Cumulative orphans 7900

Estimated number of children who have lost their mother or both parents to AIDS and who were alive and under age 15 at the end of 1999:

Current living orphans 6593

Assessment of epidemiological situation – Dominican Republic

HIV seroprevalence information among antenatal women is available since the early-1990s from the Dominican Republic. In Santo Domingo, the major urban area, HIV prevalence ranged from 1 to 2 percent among antenatal women tested between 1991 and 1998. Outside of Santo Domingo, HIV prevalence increased among antenatal women, from no evidence of HIV infection in 1991 to 3 percent in 1996. In 1997, 8 percent of antenatal clinic women tested in Puerto Plata were HIV positive. In 1998, the median HIV prevalence among antenatal clinic women tested outside of Santo Domingo was 2 percent.

Information on HIV prevalence among sex workers is available since 1986 in the Dominican Republic. In Santo Domingo, HIV infection among sex workers tested increased from 1 percent in 1986 to 6 percent in 1996. In 1998, HIV prevalence among sex workers tested in Santo Domingo ranged from 1 to 7 percent in the three testing sites. Outside of Santo Domingo, 11 per cent of sex workers tested in Bani and 5 percent of sex workers tested in La Romana were HIV positive in 1998.

HIV prevalence among STD clinic patients in Santo Domingo ranged from 3 to 8 percent of patients tested between 1989 and 1998.

HIV sentinel surveillance

This section contains information about HIV prevalence in different populations. The data reported in the tables below are mainly based on the HIV data base maintained by the United States Bureau of the Census where data from different sources, including national reports, scientific publications and international conferences is compiled. To provide for a simple overview of the current situation and trends over time, summary data are given by population group, geographical area (Major Urban Areas versus Outside Major Urban Areas), and year of survey. Studies conducted in the same year are aggregated and the median prevalence rates (in percentages) are given for each of the categories. The maximum and minimum prevalence rates observed, as well as the total number of surveys/sentinel sites, are provided with the median, to give an overview of the diversity of HIV-prevalence results in a given population within the country. Data by sentinel site or specific study on which the medians were calculated are printed at the end of this fact sheet.

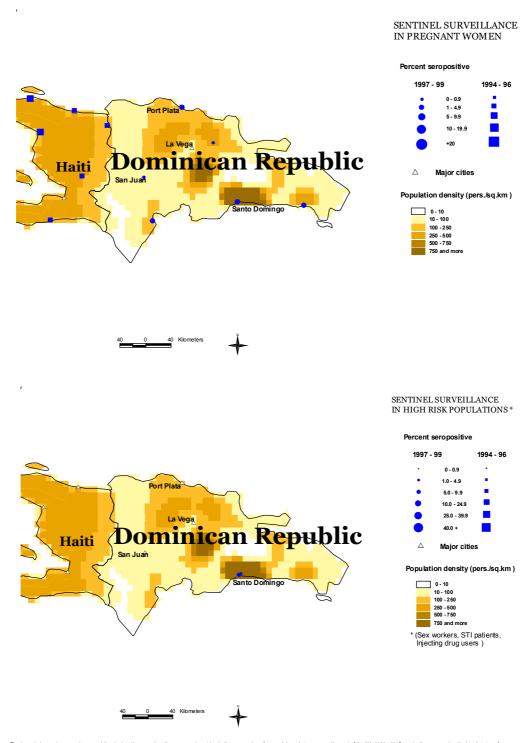
The differentiation between the two geographical areas Major Urban Areas and Outside Major Urban Areas is not based on strict criteria, such as the number of inhabitants. For most countries, Major Urban Areas were considered to be the capital city and – where applicable – other metropolitan areas with similar socio-economic patterns. The term Outside Major Urban Areas considers that most sentinel sites are not located in strictly rural areas, even if they are located in somewhat rural districts.

☐ HIV prevalence in selected populations in percent (for blood donors: 1/100 000)

Group	Area		1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Pregnant women	Major Urban Areas	N-sites								1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
		Minimum								1	8.0	1.2	1.7	2	1.3	1.9	1.4	
		Median								1	8.0	1.2	1.7	2	1.3	1.9	1.4	
		Maximum								1	8.0	1.2	1.7	2	1.3	1.9	1.4	
Pregnant women	Outside Major Urban Areas	N-sites								2	2	2	2	3	4	1	5	
		Minimum								0	0	0.3	8.0	1.2	0	8.4	0.3	
		Median								0	0.35	0.5	0.9	2.3	2.7	8.4	2.1	
		Maximum								0	0.7	0.7	1	4.1	7.9	8.4	2.2	
Group	Area		1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Sex workers	Major Urban Areas	N-sites			1				1	2	2	1	5	4	3		3	
		Minimum			1.4				1.8	2.9	1.9	11.1	0.6	0	3.5		1.1	
		Median			1.4				1.8	3.2	4.65	11.1	5.4	5.25	6		2.4	
		Maximum			1.4				1.8	3.5	7.4	11.1	8	7.5	8		6.53	
Sex workers	Outside Major Urban Areas	N-sites									2			1	1	1	2	
		Minimum									4.3			10	13.1	9.7	4.5	
		Median									7.45			10	13.1	9.7	7.6	
		Maximum									10.6			10	13.1	9.7	10.7	
Group	Area		1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Injecting drug users	Major Urban Areas	N-sites																
		Minimum																
		Median																
		Maximum																
Injecting drug users	Outside Major Urban Areas	N-sites																
		Minimum																
		Median																
		Maximum																
Group	Area		1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
STI patients	Major Urban Areas	N-sites						2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	
		Minimum						1.6	3.4	4.7	6.1	7.8	8.1	6.7	7.1		3.29	
		Median						2.8	3.4	4.7	6.1	7.8	8.1	6.7	7.1		3.29	
		Maximum						4	3.4	4.7	6.1	7.8	8.1	6.7	7.1		3.29	
STI patients	Outside Major Urban Areas	N-sites																
		Minimum																
		Median																
		Maximum																
Group	Area		1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Blood Donors	National	N-sites																
		Minimum																
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		Median																
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Men having sex with	Major Urban Areas	N-sites																
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		Median																
		Maximum																

Maps of HIV sentinel sites

Mapping the geographical distribution of HIV sentinel sites for different population groups may assist interpreting both the national coverage of the HIV surveillance system and explaining differences in levels and trends of prevalence. The UNAIDS/WHO Working Group on Global HIV/AIDS and STI Surveillance, in collaboration with the UNICEF/WHO HealthMap Programme, has produced maps showing the location and HIV prevalence of HIV sentinel sites in relation to population density, major urban areas and communication routes. Maps illustrate separately the most recent results from HIV sentinel surveillance in pregnant women and in sub-populations at higher risk of HIV infection.



The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on these maps do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the World Health Organization concerning the legal status of any country, territory, city or area or of its authorities, or concerning the delimitation of its frontiers or boundaries. Dotted lines on maps represent approximate border lines for which there may not yet be full agreement.

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Reported AIDS cases

AIDS cases by year of reporting

1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	Total	Unkn
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Following WHO and UNAIDS recommendations, AIDS case reporting is carried out in most countries. Data from individual AIDS cases is aggregated at the national level and sent to WHO. However, case reports come from surveillance systems of varying quality. All Reporting rates vary substantially from country to country and low reporting rates are common in developing countries due to weaknesses in the health care and epidemiological systems. In addition, countries use different AIDS case definitions. A main disadvantage of AIDS case reporting is that it only provides information on transmission patterns and levels of infection approximately 5-10 years in the past, limiting its usefulness for monitoring recent HIV infections.

Despite these caveats, AIDS case reporting remains an important advocacy tool and is useful in estimating the burden of HIV-related morbidity as well as for short-term planning of health care services. AIDS case reports also provide information on the demographic and geographic characteristics of the affected population and on the relative importance of the various exposure risks. In some situations, AIDS reports can be used to estimate earlier HIV infection patterns using back-calculation. AIDS case reports and AIDS deaths have been dramatically reduced in industrialized countries with the introduction of HAART (Highly Active Anti-Retroviral Therapy).

AIDS cases by mode of transmission

Hetero: Heterosexual contacts. Homo/Bi: Homosexual contacts between men.

IDU: Injecting drug use. This transmission category also includes cases in which other high-risk behaviours were reported, in addition

to injection of drugs. Blood: Blood and blood products.

Perinatal: Vertical transmission during pregnancy, birth or breastfeeding.

NS: Not specified/unknown.

Sex	Trans. Group	<96	1996	1997	1998	1999	Unkn	Total	%
All	Total	3549	515	373	292	47		4776	100.0
	Hetero	2383	431	299	250	40		3403	71.3
	Homo/Bi	322	25	24	11	3		385	8.1
	IDU	113	24	17	11	2		167	3.5
	Blood	54	4	0	2	0		60	1.3
	Perinatal	58	10	20	8	1		97	2.0
	Other Known	84	4	4	4	0		96	2.0
	Unknown	349	9	5	4	1		368	7.7
Male	Total	2369	322	251	163	23		3128	100.0
	Hetero								
	Homo/Bi								
	IDU								
	Blood								
	Perinatal								
	Other Known								
	Unknown								
Female	Total	1157	190	133	129	24		1633	100.0
	Hetero								
	IDU								
	Blood								
	Perinatal								
	Other Known								
	Unknown								
NS	Total	15	0	0	0	0		15	100.0
	Hetero								
	IDU								
	Blood								
	Perinatal								
	Other Known								
	Unknown								
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Age

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A	15-19	90	11	6	9	116	2.5
	20-24	431	41	44	28	544	11.5
,	25-29	717	86	70	64	937	19.8
	30-34	740	108	81	57	986	20.8
d	35-39	844	127	121	110	1202	25.4
	40-44	322	39	40	37	438	9.3
1	45-49	76	0	0	0	76	1.6
e e	50-54	58	0	0	0	68	1.4
- -	55-59	37	0	0	0	37	0.8
9	60+	37	0	0	0	37	0.8
ī	NS	130	0	1	1	132	2.8
Male	All	2398	267	254	182	3101	100.0
	0-4	40	6	13	5	64	2.1
	5-9	9	1	0	1	11	0.4
	10-14	7	0	0	0	7	0.2
	15-19	44	4	2	2	52	1.7
	20-24	259	22	29	8	318	10.3
	25-29	451	50	41	33	575	18.5
	30-34	518	74	59	34	685	22.1
	35-39	596	80	81	74	831	26.8
	40-44	215	30	28	24	297	9.6
	45-49	60	0	0	0	60	1.9
	50-54	52	0	0	0	52	1.7
	55-59	28	0	0	0	28	0.9
	60+	31	0	0	0	31	1.0
	NS	88	0	1	1	90	2.9
Female	All	1180	159	138	138	1615	100.0
	0-4	32	5	12	4	53	3.3
	5-9	8	2	2	2	14	0.9
	10-14	4	1	2	2	9	0.6
	15-19	46	7	4	7	64	4.0
	20-24	171	19	15	20	225	13.9
	25-29	265	35	29	31	360	22.3
	30-34	220	34	22	23	299	18.5
	35-39	245	47	40	36	368	22.8
	40-44	106	9	12	13	140	8.7
	45-49	16	0	0	0	16	1.0
	50-54	16	0	0	0	16	1.0
	55-59	9	0	0	0	9	0.6
	60+	6	0	0	0	6	0.4
	NS	36	0	0	0	36	2.2
NS	All						
	0-4						
	5-9						
	10-14						
	10-14 15-19						

Curable Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)

The predominant mode of transmission of both HIV and other STIs is sexual intercourse. Measures for preventing sexual transmission of HIV and STI are the same, as are the target audiences for interventions. In addition, strong evidence supports several biological mechanisms through which STI facilitate HIV transmission by increasing both HIV infectiousness and HIV susceptibility. Significant also is the observation of a sharp decline in the concentration of HIV in the genital secretions when the infection is treated. Monitoring trends in STI can provide valuable information on the sexual transmission of HIV as well as the impact of behavioural interventions, such as promotion of condom use.

Clinical services offering STI care are an important access point for people at high risk for both AIDS and STI, not only for diagnosis and treatment but also for information and education. Therefore, control and prevention of STI have been recognized as a major strategy in the prevention of HIV

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STI's	Year	Male	Female	All	Year	Male	Female	P
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Gonorrhoea Syphilis								
Trichomonas								
Comments:								
Source:								
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Health service indicators

HIV prevention strategies depend on the twin efforts of care and support for those living with HIV or AIDS, and targeted prevention for all people at risk or vulnerable to the infection. These efforts may range from reaching out to vulnerable communities through large-scale educational campaigns or interpersonal communication; provision of treatment for STIs; distribution of condoms and needles; creating and enabling environment to reduce risky behaviour; providing access to voluntary testing and counselling; home or institutional care for persons with symptomatic HIV infection; and preventing perinatal transmission and transmission through infected needles or blood in health care settings. It is difficult to capture such a large range of activities with one or just a few indicators. However, a set of well-established health care indicators – such as the percentage of a population with access to health care services; the percentage of women covered by antenatal care; or the percentage of immunized children – may help to identify general strengths and weaknesses of health systems. Specific indicators, such as access to testing and blood screening for HIV, help to measure the capacity of health services to respond to HIV/AIDS – related issues.

□ Access to health care

Indicators	Year	Estimate	Source
% of population with access to health services – total:			
% of population with access to health services – urban:			
% of population with access to health services – rural:			
Contraceptive prevalence rate (%):	1990-1999	64	UNICEF/UNPOP
% of births attended by trained health personnel:	1990-1999	99	UNICEF
% of 1-yr-old children fully immunized – DPT:	1995-1998	74	UNICEF
% of 1-yr-old children fully immunized – Polio:	1995-1998	73	UNICEF
% of 1-yr-old children fully immunized – Measles:	1995-1998	95	UNICEF
Proportion of blood donations tested:			
% of ANC clinics where HIV testing is available:			
HIV/AIDS Hospital Occupancy Rate (Days):			

Male and female condoms are the only technology available that can prevent sexual transmission of HIV and other STIs. Persons exposing themselves to the risk of sexual transmission of HIV should have consistent access to high quality condoms. AIDS Programmes implement activities to increase both availability of and access to condoms. The two condom availability indicators below are intended to highlight areas of strength and weakness at the beginning and end of the distribution system so that programmatic resources can be directed appropriately to problem areas.

Condom availability (central level) Prevention Indicator 2: Availability of condoms in the country over the last 12 months (central level). Year Area N Rate Comments: Sources: Condom availability (peripheral level) Prevention Indicator 3: Proportion of people who can acquire a condom (peripheral level). Year Area N Rate Comments: Sources:

Knowledge and behaviour

In most countries the HIV epidemic is driven by behaviours (e.g.: multiple sexual partners, intravenous drug use) that expose individuals to the risk of infection. Information on knowledge and on the level and intensity of risk behaviour related to HIV/AIDS is essential in identifying populations most at risk for HIV infection and in better understanding the dynamics of the epidemic. It is also critical information in assessing changes over time as a result of prevention efforts. One of the main goals of the 2nd generation HIV surveillance systems is the promotion of regular behavioural surveys in order to monitor trends in behaviours and target interventions.

Knowledge of HIV- related preventive practices

Prevention Indicator 1: Proportion of people citing at least two acceptable ways of protection from HIV infection.

Year	Area	Age Group	Male	Female	All
1996	All	15-49	90.0	99.6	

Comments:

Sources: ENDESA, 1996

□ Reported non-regular sexual partnerships

Prevention Indicator 4: Proportion of sexually active people having at least one sex partner other than a regular partner in the last 12 months

	Year	Area	Age Group	Male	Female	All	
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Comments: Sources:

□ Reported condom use in risk sex (gen pop)

Prevention Indicator 5: Proportion of people reporting the use of a condom during the most recent intercourse of risk.

•	Year	Area	Age Group	Male	Female	All
•	1997	All	15-49			47.5

Comments

Sources: NAP/PPAHO, 1997

Knowledge and behaviour

□ Ever use of condom

Percentage of people who ever used a condom.

Year	Area	Age Group	Male	Female	All	
1991	All	15-19		2.5		
1996	All	15-19	10.4	4.5		
1991	All	20-24		11.2		
1996	All	20-24	18.1	15.9		
1991	All	25-29		15.5		
1996	All	25-29	12.4	23.8		
1991	All	30-34		17.5		
1996	All	30-34	9.8	25.5		
1991	All	35-39		18.7		
1996	All	35-39	10.1	20.4		
1991	All	40-44		14.5		
1996	All	40-44	5.6	19.0		
1991	All	45-49		9.3		
1996	All	45-49	3.2	12.3		
1991	All	Total		11.8		
1996	All	Total		16.8		

Comments:

Sources:

Demographic and Health Survey

☐ Median age at first sexual experience

Median age of people at which they first had sexual intercourse.

Year	Area	Age Grou	p Male Female	All	
1996	All	20-24	18.7		
1996	All	45-49	17.8		

Comments:

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☐ Adolescent pregnancy

Percentage of teenagers 15-19 who are mothers or pregnant with their first child.

Year	Area	Age Group	Rate	N	
1991	All	15	357	7.2	
1996	All	15	368	6.8	
1991	All	16	325	9.9	
1996	All	16	325	15.1	
1991	All	17	337	15.1	
1996	All	17	388	23.2	
1991	All	18	364	26.9	
1996	All	18	378	29.8	
1991	All	19	327	28.5	
1996	All	19	343	40.6	

Comments:

Sources:

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Annex: HIV Surveillance data by site

Pregnant women	Area Major Urban Areas	Santo Domingo	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991 1	1992 0.8	1993 1.2	1994 1.7	1995 2	1996 1.3	1997 1.9	1998 1.4	199
Fregnant women	Major Orban Areas	Santo Donningo									0.0	1.2	1.7	2	1.5	1.5	1.4	
Pregnant women	Outside Major Urban Areas	Barahona															2.1	
	La Romana													5.1		2.1		
	Puerto Plata San Francisco de								0	0	0.3	0.8	4.1 1.2	7.9 0.3	8.4	2.2 0.3		
	Macoris San Juan								0	0.7	0.7	1	2.3	0		1		
Group	Area		1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	199
Sex workers Major Urban Areas	Major Urban Areas	Santo Domingo (1) Santo Domingo			1.4				1.8	2.9	1.9 7.4	11.1						
		(2) S. Dom., Hosp. Fran. Moscoso											5.4	5.8	3.5		6.5	
		Pulleo S. Dom., Las											8	4.7	8		2.4	
		Caobas S. Dom., Los Mina											0.6	7.5	6		1.1	
		S. Dom., Hosp. Luis Eduardo											4.1					
	Aybar S. Dom., Centro											6.1	0					
Sex workers Outside Major Urban Areas	Outside Maior Urban Areas	Sanitario La Romana									10.6				13.1		4.5	
	•	Seven Sites									4.3					9.7		
Group	Area	Bani	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	10.0 1995	1996	1997	10.7 1998	199
Injecting drug users	Major Urban Areas		1304	1303	1500	1501	1300	1303	1550	1551	1552	1555	1004	1555	1550	1551	1000	100
Injecting drug users	Outside Major Urban Areas																	
Injecting drug users Group	Outside Major Urban Areas Area		1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	199
Group		Santo Domingo (Males) Santo Domingo (Females)	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989 4 1.6	1990 3.4	1991 4.7	1992 6.1	1993 7.8	1994 8.1	1995 6.7	1996 7.1	1997	1998 3.3	199
Group STI Patients STI Patients	Area	(Males) Santo Domingo	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	4								1997		199
Group STI patients	Area Major Urban Areas	(Males) Santo Domingo	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	4								1997		
Group STI patients STI Patients	Area Major Urban Areas Outside Major Urban Areas	(Males) Santo Domingo						1.6	3.4	4.7	6.1	7.8	8.1	6.7	7.1		3.3	
Group STI patients STI Patients	Area Major Urban Areas Outside Major Urban Areas Area	(Males) Santo Domingo						1.6	3.4	4.7	6.1	7.8	8.1	6.7	7.1		3.3	
Group STI patients STI Patients Group Blood Donors	Area Major Urban Areas Outside Major Urban Areas Area National	(Males) Santo Domingo						1.6	3.4	4.7	6.1	7.8	8.1	6.7	7.1		3.3	199 199